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Beirut, 18-19 December 2018

Item 2 of the provisional agenda

**Organization of work****Note by the secretariat**

1. The secretariat of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) has prepared the proposed organization of work of the fifth meeting of the Executive Committee in order to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within time limitations. The Committee will be presented with the proposed organization of work enclosed in this document and shall adopt it in that or an amended form.
2. The Executive Committee will hold an opening session at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 18 December 2018. It will start its working sessions at 10.15 a.m. and will hold two sessions on each of the two days during which it is being convened, one in the morning and another in the afternoon, as shown in the next section of this document. The Committee will conclude its proceedings at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, 19 December 2018.
3. Each presentation made by the secretariat shall last 10 to 15 minutes and the following discussion 30 to 45 minutes. Should the discussion of one item be completed before the specified time, the meeting will move on to the next item.

Proposed organization of work

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation
<u>Tuesday, 18 December 2018</u>	
Morning	
9.30-10 a.m.	Registration of participants.
10-10.15 a.m.	<u>Item 1</u> Opening of the meeting. Speech by the representative of Tunisia, the country chairing the thirtieth session of ESCWA. Speech by the representative of the ESCWA secretariat.
10.15 a.m.-1 p.m.	First session <u>Item 2</u> Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters. <i>For discussion</i> Provisional agenda and annotations E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/L.1 Organization of work E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/L.2
	Follow-up issues
	<u>Item 3</u> Implementation of recommendations made by the Executive Committee at its fourth meeting. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/3
	<u>Item 4</u> Implementation of the Beirut Consensus on Technology for Sustainable Development in the Arab Region and resolutions adopted at the thirtieth ESCWA session. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/4
	Regional and global issues
	<u>Item 5</u> Financing for development: progress in implementing the Addis Ababa Action Agenda in the Arab region. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/5
Afternoon	
2-4 p.m.	Second session: regional and global issues (continued) <u>Item 6</u> Arab Regional Action Plan for Sustainable Development Data: progress in implementation. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/6

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation	
<u>Tuesday, 18 December 2018 (continued)</u>		
2-4 p.m.	Second session: regional and global issues (continued)	
	<u>Item 7</u>	Palestinian economy under the occupation: the case of the industrial sector. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/7
<u>Wednesday, 19 December 2018</u>		
Morning		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Third session: regional and global issues (continued)	
	<u>Item 8</u>	Climate change in the Arab region: relevant regional and international developments. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/8
	<u>Item 9</u>	Arab Regional Conference on Population and Development: five years after the 2013 Cairo Declaration. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/9
	<u>Item 10</u>	Supporting Arab States in the periodic review of progress in implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action 25 years after their adoption. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/10
	<u>Item 11</u>	Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration and its relevance to the Arab region. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/11
Afternoon		
2-4 p.m.	Fourth session: programmatic issues	
	<u>Item 12</u>	Proposed programme plan for the year 2020. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/12

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation	
<u>Wednesday, 19 December 2018</u> (continued)		
2-4 p.m.	<u>Item 13</u>	Technical cooperation activities for 2018.
		<i>For discussion</i>
		Document E/ESCWA/EC.5/2018/13
	<u>Item 14</u>	Date and venue of the sixth meeting of the Executive Committee.
	<u>Item 15</u>	Other matters.
	<u>Item 16</u>	Adoption of the recommendations made by the Executive Committee at its fifth meeting.
		<i>Draft recommendations will be submitted for discussion and adoption.</i>